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The REFORMER.

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THAT the World ſtands greatly in Need of a Reformation has been a general Complaint from the Time of *Solomon* down to ours; whether it ever will be reform'd will remain a Queſtion to the Day of Judgment. Thoſe who are moſt apt to rail at others, are moſt faulty themſelves, and, tho' all have Precept at Command, none care to ſet the Example. The Truth is we are as fully convinced of our own Virtues, as our Neighbour's Follies, and are as ready to compliment our own Underſtandings, as cenſure theirs. I am terribly afraid I commence *Reformer* more out of Vanity, than the Hope of doing Good; I am ſtrongly prepoſſeſs'd, like a true Author, that I am qualified to diſcern and expoſe the Vices of Mankind, and am priviledg'd to found my Reputation on the Ruin of theirs.——Scandal and Reformation are inſeparable, and no Body can juſtly blame me from acting in Character. I have two or three venerable *Devotees* now in my Eye, that are become quite formidable to their Acquaintance, by this Means, and never come into Company without the Pleaſure of awing the whole Circle into that ſullen Severity which they fancy to be Innocence and Decorum: But tho' every Thing that looks like Levity or Humour is baniſh'd as criminal, Slander and Detraction take Place in their Stead, and, under the Pretence of Zeal for holy Things, they ſacrifice the Fame of their Friends moſt meritoriouſly, as if they had a Commiſſion from Heaven to do the Devil's Drudgery.——I muſt own I have been ſo exceedingly taken with this Character, that I have been at ſome Pains to make it my own: I am naturally of a pleaſant humourous Diſpoſition, but, as I am perſuaded all Mirth and Gayety is an Abomination, I have labour'd a conſiderable while to mortify it like the World and the Fleſh, and eſtabliſh that divine Auſterity, that ſacred Solemnity in its Stead: Nay I have even corrected my Countenance, there is not a Line that looks like Laughter in my Face; but I muſt own, tho' I laugh leſs myſelf, I am always the Occaſion that other People laugh abundantly more. My Chamber is hung with old Tapeſtry, and my preſent Phiz is an exact Copy of *Solomon*'s Executioner who is going to divide the Child between the two Harlots. In ſhort, I look exactly like one of the *Inquiſition*, and, if I happen to ſtep into *Change-Alley*, the *Portugueze Jews* tremble at my Appearance, and hardly think themſelves ſafe in the Land of Liberty. A Painter, who wanted to finiſh a *Simon Magus* to the Life, had the Aſſurance to deſire me to ſit, that the Idea might be perfect; and, tho' I deny'd him with ſome Indignation, he ſtole a Sketch without my Leave, and threatens to have a Print taken from it, that my Features may be as well known as my Character. I have likewiſe prun'd my Dreſs of all the vain Ornaments and ridiculous Fopperies of the preſent corrupted Age; as I am grown ſomewhat bald with Age, I wear a black bob Peruke that never knew any Powder, ſince it was tranſlated from the Barber's Block to mine: This gives a certain Venerability to my Look, and I believe I contemplate the Singularity of my Figure, in the Glaſs, with as much Pleaſure as any Beau in *England*; for among Friends there is as much Pride in being odd, as in being fine, and I don't know but I am as vain of my Habit, as they can be of theirs——I remember I was once exceedingly jealous of *Ephraim Stiff* the *Quaker*, and *Sampſon Thump* the *Independent Parſon*; they viſited a devout Widow of about Forty that I was once fond of, and the primitive Sanctity of their outward Man had like to have been too prevailing for mine: Ever ſince which I have made my Garb a Compound of both, and really I think nothing can be more grave or becoming.——I have likewiſe another Advantage which will be no ſmall Recommendation of my Parts as a *Reformer*: The Founder of a certain pious Society was my great Uncle, and *Arch-Biſhop Laud* was God-Father to his Wife. I have plac'd theſe two great Examples before my View, and have ſtudied long to render myſelf worthy of the Relation.——No Man is a greater Enemy to the profligate Lives of the naughty young Fellows of this laſt Century, or is more zealous in ferreting Vice from the Pourlieus of *Drury-Lane*.——I frequently employ myſelf as a Spy in tracing out their Haunts, and detecting their Abominations.—— I am never ſeen there, but 'tis look'd upon as an ill Omen, and they take it for granted that ſome Miſchief will follow. ——On the other Hand, I am a mortal Enemy to your *Free-Thinkers*; I eſteem them as a Set of inquiſitive Fellows that ſaucily pretend to be wiſer than their Fore-Fathers, and will be ſav'd forſooth their own Way: Indeed 'tis but ſeldom I am charitable enough to ſuppoſe they can be ſav'd at all; I ſometimes believe them *Jeſuits* in Diſguiſe, who bear a Spleen to our holy Religion becauſe 'tis not quite ſo bad as theirs, and at other Times I brand them as *Atheiſts* who have no Religion at all, and who would be proud to make the reſt of the World as wicked as themſelves.

You ſee, gentle Reader, I give no Quarter to Sin in any Shape, and that I am as a deſtroying Angel to Iniquity; and yet, in Spite of all my Righteouſneſs, the World, the wicked World does not ſcruple to make me the Subject of their lewd Reproaches, and ungodly Lampoons; it has been more than once hinted to my Face that I am no better than a Hypocrite, and that my Zeal againſt the Impieties of others is only a Cloak to conceal my own. My Neighbour *Flaſh* the Beau has toaſted my Houſe-Keeper *Dorcas* in the Company of *Demi-Reps*, and tells an abominable Tale of ſome amorous Converſations that were over-heard between us one Night after Evening-Prayer. My old Acquaintance *Will Boniface* makes no Conſcience of ſaying that I broke in the Year 1705, and compounded with my Creditors at Half a Crown in the Pound to make my Fortune. I don't think it worth my while to make any Anſwer to ſuch ſilly Stories; but it has provok'd my Spleen however, and, ſince I can't eſcape Cenſure myſelf, I am reſolv'd no Body elſe ſhall. I once publickly own'd my Reſentment made me a *Reformer* in the Company of *Ned Gentle*, who took the Liberty to reprove the Motive, tho' he ſeem'd to honour the Deſign; but however he offer'd me his Service in the Proſecution, and I don't know but I may make uſe of it when I ſee Occaſion.

Ned is what the World calls a polite Man, one who converſes freely with Quality, and is perfectly well vers'd in the Manners of the Age.——He is intimate with Books, and knows as much of the World as he deſires, more than he approves: He is frequent at Plays, and is well acquainted with the State of the Theatre; he reads almoſt every Book that is publiſh'd, and is very exact in doing Juſtice to the Author: In ſhort he is good-humour'd, and well-bred, had rather applaud than condemn, and, if he has any Fault, he is too mild for a *Reformer*, and too condeſcending for a Critick.——'Tis a Maxim with him that Satire ought never to be perſonal, and that if the World is wicked or ridiculous, none but the Magiſtrate has Power to puniſh with Pains and Penalties.——That, as Frailties are common to all, they ſhould be pitied by all, and that no one ſhould condemn, in Mercy to themſelves.——*Ned* ſeems to think that to reform is no eaſy Task, and that Men had rather diſcover a thouſand Faults in another, than one in themſelves; that hence confirm'd and eſtabliſh'd Follies are hardly ever remov'd, and that Evil is rather to be prevented than cur'd; he propoſes therefore to ridicule Abſurdity and Affectation, for the Sake of the Sound rather than the Sick; becauſe, ſays he, they are unprejudic'd, and will avoid what they are learn'd to diſtaſte before-hand, while the others will only laugh at their Brethren, without making the leaſt Application to themſelves. Theſe are his Maxims, and let him follow them if he pleaſes; but as for me I ſhall exerciſe my publick Character, as I did my private, with the Auſterity of a *Brutus*, rather than the Mildneſs of a *Socrates*.——I am for making myſelf formidable, and if I expoſe, no Matter whether I amend, or no: My Readers are to conſider me as doing my Duty, and let them be accountable for the Succeſs. I have already ſettled a Correſpondence with half the Tea-Tables in Town, and handed about a Scheme for the Circulation of Scandal. My Correſpondents will not value themſelves, if they can but ridicule their Acquaintance, and, while that Principle prevails, I ſhall never want Matter, nor my Readers Entertainment.

An Extract from a late Pamphlet, call'd, The *Craftſman*'s Doctrine and Practice of the Liberty of the Preſs.

THE principal Writer of the *Craftſman*, is underſtood on all Hands, to have been a Miniſter of State in the four laſt Years of Queen *Anne*. In his Papers he aſſumes the Character of a zealous Advocate for the Liberty of the Preſs, and ſeems more than ordinarily elevated whenever he can form the leaſt Shadow of a Pretext to inſinuate, that the preſent Miniſtry are very ſolicitous to have it reſtrained; flattering himſelf that he has worked up the People into a general Opinion, that this is the moſt heinous Crime a *Britiſh* Miniſter can be guilty of. He has held forth ſo elaborately from Time to Time upon this Subject, and always with ſo much Satisfaction and Applauſe to himſelf, that at Length he roux'd in me this Reflection: *In what Manner did this pureſt of all Patriots ſpeak and act, when he was a Miniſter, in Relation to this ſupereminent Right; which certainly was of as much intrinſick Value to the* Britiſh *Nation then, as now?* And upon Enquiry, I collected the following Account.

On the 17th of *January* 1711, Mr. Secretary *St. John* delivered a Meſſage from her Majeſty Queen *Anne* to the Houſe of Commons; in which are theſe Words:

Her Majeſty finds it neceſſary to obſerve, how great Licence is taken in publiſhing falſe and ſcandalous Libels, ſuch as are a Reproach to any Government. This Evil ſeems to be grown too ſtrong for the Laws now in Force; it is therefore recommended to you to find a Remedy equal to the Miſchief.

On the 21ſt of *January* the Houſe of Commons preſented an Addreſs to the Queen in anſwer to her Meſſage, which concluded with theſe Words:

We are very ſenſible how much the Liberty of the Preſs is abuſed, by turning it into ſuch Licentiouſneſs as is a juſt Reproach to the Nation; ſince not only falſe and ſcandalous Libels are printed and publiſhed againſt your Majeſty's Government, but the moſt horrid Blaſphemies againſt God and Religion. And we beg Leave humbly to aſſure your Majeſty, that we will do our utmoſt to find out a Remedy equal to this Miſchief, and that may effectually cure it.

On the 12th of *April* the Houſe being reſolved into a Committee of the whole Houſe, to conſider of that Part of her Majeſty's Meſſage of the 17th of *January*, which related to the great Licence taken in publiſhing falſe and ſcandalous Libels, Sir *Gilbert Dolben* their Chairman reported from them, that they had come to ſeveral Reſolutions thereupon.

On the 3d of *June* Sir *Gilbert Dolben* reported from the Committee thoſe Reſolutions, *viz.*

Reſolved, *That the great Liberty taken in printing and publiſhing, falſe, ſcandalous, and impious Libels, creates Diviſion among her Majeſty's Subjects, tends to the Diſturbance of the publick Peace, to the Increaſe of Immorality, Profaneneſs, and Irreligion, and is highly prejudicial to her Majeſty, and her Government.*

Reſolved, *That the Want of a due Regulation of the Preſs, is a great Occaſion of the ſaid Miſchief.*

Reſolved, *That all Printing Preſſes be regiſtered, with the Names of the Owners and their Places of Abode.*

Reſolved, *That to every Book, Pamphlet and Paper which ſhall be printed, there be ſet the Name and the Place of Abode of the Author, Printer, and Publiſher thereof.*

Reſolved, *That no Bookſeller, or other Perſon, ſhall ſell or diſperſe any Book, Pamphlet, or Paper, to which the Name and Place of Abode of the Author, Printer, and Publiſher ſhall not be ſet.*

Ordered, *That a Bill be brought in upon the ſaid Reſolutions.*

On the 10th of *June*, a Bill brought in accordingly by Sir *Gilbert Dolben*, Sir *Thomas Powys*, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Conyers*, and Mr. *Hungerford*, for reſtraining the great Licence taken in publiſhing falſe and ſcandalous Libels, was read the firſt Time.

On the 12th of *June* the ſaid Bill was read a ſecond Time, and committed to a Committee of the whole Houſe. But the Seſſion concluding ſoon after, not more was done in this Bill. *Of which we cannot give a Copy, the Regiſter of the Bills kept by the Clerks of the Houſe of Commons having a Memorandum in the Margin, that it is* miſſing.

The next Seſſion was opened the 9th of *April* 1713, by a Speech from the Throne, wherein her Majeſty ſaid.

Several Matters were laid before you laſt Seſſion, which the Weight and Multiplicity of other Buſineſs would not permit you to perfect: I hope you will take a proper Opportunity to give them due Conſideration.

I cannot however but expreſly mention my Diſpleaſure at the unparallel'd Licentiouſneſs in publiſhing ſeditious and ſcandalous Libels.

The Impunity ſuch Practices have met with, has encouraged the blaſpheming every Thing ſacred, and the propagating Opinions tending to the Overthrow of all Religion and Government. Proſecutions have been ordered; but it will require ſome new Law to put a Stop to this growing Evil, and your beſt Endeavours, in your reſpective Stations, to diſcourage it.

Hereupon, the 18th of *April*, it was ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to prevent the printing and publiſhing blaſphemous, treaſonable, ſeditious and ſcandalous Books and Libels; and for the better regulating

of the Preſs: And that Sir *Thomas Powys*, Mr. Attorney-General, and Mr. Sollicitor-General, do prepare and bring in the ſame.

On the 12th of *May* Sir *Thomas Powys* preſented to the Houſe, (according to Order) a Bill entitled as above; which was received, and read the firſt Time.

On the 20th of *May* the ſaid Bill was read a ſecond Time, and committed to a Committee of the whole Houſe.

But no more was done in it this Seſſion: which was the laſt this Parliament had to ſit.

The Perſon who pleads the moſt vehemently and loudly for the Liberty of the Preſs, would be underſtood to do it from the ſtrongeſt Paſſion for the general Good; but can that Man have really ſuch a Concern for the common Welfare, who has given ſo many Proofs of his having no Regard to common Juſtice, Equity, or even Decency?

Did that Miniſter who paſſes now for the chief Writer of the *Craftſman*, when he had it in his Power, exerciſe the leaſt Portion of that Exceſs of Lenity, which he now claims for himſelf? In all the Range of his Imagination to find out Topicks for declaiming on the Freedom of every *Briton*, to publiſh his Thoughts on publick Tranſactions, how came the true Caſe of *Ridpath*, whom he drove into Exile, not to come into his Head long ago? Was his Crime any other, than being a Man of meaner Parts, of lower Education, of leſs Addreſs and Skill in writing, than he? *Ridpath*'s, even *Ridpath*'s, Sincerity and good Meaning towards his Country, were full as unqueſtionable as the *Craftſman*'s can ever be pretended to be. But *Ridpath* wanted that Compaſs of Knowledge ariſing from Converſation in the polite World, that Study and fine Taſte of Books, that Fund of Invention, that Flow of ſpecious Rhetorick to make the worſe appear the better Reaſon, that ſubtle Choice and Turn of Words, which this Gentleman has, or long flatter'd himſelf he had, to dreſs up his Thoughts ſo artfully, as to vent the boldeſt Invectives, and yet keep out of the Reach of Juſtice.

Ridpath happened to believe in his Heart, that the Conduct of this Miniſter of Queen *Anne*'s, in his foreign Negotiations; the Pamphlets and Papers imputed to him, or to his favourite Emiſſaries; certain Addreſſes from conſiderable Bodies, and from ſome particular Boroughs; the common Behaviour and Language at the Weſt-End of the Town; with numberleſs other Circumſtances; had all a Tendency to the ſetting a-ſide of the *Hanover* Succeſſion, and the Introduction of the *Pretender*; and that this had encouraged the *Jacobites*, in *Ireland* eſpecially, and not a little in *Scotland*, and here, to take ſuch extraordinary Steps, as ſhewed their Readineſs towards facilitating a Reſtoration, which it cannot be denied they all expected, when the Signal ſhould be given them. He therefore took a Method that he thought ſuited his *Flying-Poſt*, to alarm the Publick under Colour of News from Abroad. He went upon plain Grounds, and his Motive was honeſt: But, acquitting himſelf of ſo delicate a Task unartfully and incautiouſly, he laid himſelf too open to the Law. And glad was the Miniſter to catch him tripping: He ſent him head-long to *Newgate* at once, to work his Way out by Law as he could: The *Poſt-Boy* was directed to give a triumphant Account of his Tryal and Conviction: And when the Man had withdrawn, for fear the Sentence uſually pronounced on ſuch Offenders, ſhould have been inhumanly executed; this gentle Miniſter could not brook the Diſappointment of his Revenge, but purſued him in his Flight with the impotent Rage of ſetting a Price upon his Head.

What a bleſſed Time had the Writers for their Country, when this Gentleman was in Power? The Sovereign thunder'd over their Heads againſt the Licentiouſneſs of the Preſs, the Houſe of Commons echoed it; neither Biſhop *Fleetwood*'s Candour and Probity with the ſoundeſt and ſweeteſt Eloquence, nor all Mr. *Steele*'s Wit with that Openneſs of Heart which *Engliſh* Gentlemen naturally make great Allowances for; not even the Memorial of a State in Alliance with ours, drawn unwillingly from them by our unfriendly Uſage, could exempt them from the moſt opprobrious Cenſures: And as for inferior Offenders, they were conſigned to the Tenderneſs of this Miniſter.

Certainly the main Article in the two Bills brought in by the Commons in his Miniſtry for regulating the Preſs, which was the obliging every Author to ſet his Name to his Writings, was one ſecret Reaſon why they were both dropt. Who that remembers the moſt inſolent, abuſive, lewd Pamphlets and Papers of his Favourite Writers, can believe that any one even of thoſe Reprobates could have been ſo abandoned, ſo loſt to Shame, as to have ſet his Name to them? This Injunction to Authors to ſet their Names to their Pieces, was manifeſtly an uſeleſs Bugbear againſt the *Whigs*: For Biſhop *Fleetwood*, and Mr. *Steele*, generouſly put their Names to what they wrote; and no Publiſher for any other Writers on that Side, did conceal them when called upon. Why does not this ſturdy Patriot put his Name to his Performances, as thoſe honeſt Lovers of their Country did? No, this Hero in a Vizor fights behind little *Franklin*, and lets him take all the Blows. The only juſtifiable Deſign this Miniſter and his Party in the Houſe of Commons could have, in compelling a Man to put his Name to what he writes, was this, that he might the eaſier be come at to be made anſwerable to the Law for what he publiſhes: Yet now the *Craftſman* inſiſts, that ſuch Laws are Chains of Slavery, and that the uſual Forms of proceeding in Courts of Juſtice to execute them, are pernicious to Liberty.

This Gentleman came into the Change of Miniſtry that attended Dr. *Sacheverel*'s Triumph. He had the Cunning therefore to intereſt Religion and the Clergy in his Proceedings relating to the Preſs: And never was Cunning better timed, all Circumſtances conſidered, than this was then.

The Language of the Throne concerning the Licentiouſneſs in publiſhing Libels was, "The Impunity ſuch Prac-"tices have met with, encourage the blaſpheming every "Thing ſacred."

And this Miniſter's Party in the Houſe of Commons uſed the ſame Policy. Their Anſwers to the Queen, their Reſolutions, the Titles of their Bills for reſtraining the Preſs, ſhew it ſufficiently.

"We are very ſenſible, (ſay they) how much the Li-"berty of the Preſs is abuſed, ſince not only Libels are "publiſh'd againſt your Majeſty's Government, but the "moſt horrid Blaſphemies againſt God and Religion."

Reſolved, *That the great Liberty taken in publiſhing ſcandalous and* impious *Libels, tends to the Increaſe of Immoralty*, Profaneneſs, *and* Irreligion, *&c.*

Bill to prevent the printing and publiſhing of *blaſphemous* and ſcandalous Libels, *&c.*

The like Cunning was uſed in proſecuting *Ridpath*. To that Part of the Information againſt him, which charged him with writing againſt the State, was coupled another Crime, *viz.* the publiſhing the following Paragraph in one of the three *Flying-Poſts* he was tried for; "I deſire you "would be ſo good as to print the Abjuration Oath at "large, for the Uſe of the inferior Clergy, who, by their "common Diſcourſe, would make one believe, either that "they have forgotten what they have ſworn, or that they "value their Oaths no more than their Subſcriptions."

So again, when *Bedford* was ſentenced, this Miniſter, (for he has taught us that every Thing the Crown does, is the Act of which Miniſter one pleaſes to ſingle out from the Miniſtry, let who will counterſign) remits the ignominious Part of the Sentence, in pure Compliment to the Clergy. Which had this further Piece of Craft in it, that he knew it would naturally, as Things then went, be interpreted to be a Kind of Royal *Imprimatur*, ſomething little ſhort of authorizing and recommending the Book itſelf.

But whether this Gentleman has a real Regard for Clergymen, the Clergy themſelves will judge from the Virulence and Exceſs of Rudeneſs, with which the *Craftſman* has treated ſeveral Lords of the preſent Bench of Biſhops, of unblameable Lives and eminent for their Learning and good Senſe, only becauſe he apprehends they differ from him in his preſent State-Doctrines.

They do not take the right Altitude of the *Craftſman*'s Ambition, who do not conſider him as employing for many Years paſt his extraordinary Talents in no leſs Enterprizes than to make Revolutions of Government.

During the Time of his Power with the late Queen, he bent all the Strength of his own Parts, and thoſe of his Emiſſaries, to write Pamphlets and Papers, which were plentifully diſperſed, tending to prevent the Houſe of *Hanover*'s Succeſſion to the Throne: He then carried Meſſages, made Speeches, and procured Bills for reſtraining the Preſs; that he might in effect have the ſole Uſe of it. He then, and his Party in the Houſe of Commons, puniſhed the Whig Writers by all the Methods of Power or Law; while he was not aſhamed to proſtitute the Royal Name and Authority for ſcreening and protecting from Juſtice the Writers of his own Side. And the pernicious Effect of the Poiſon he had cauſed to be ſpread throughout the Kingdom was ſuch, that nothing but the Queen's Demiſe, untimely for him, could in all human Probability have blaſted this his firſt Project.

The Succeſſion in the Houſe of *Hanover* happily took Place. Then, conſcious of the Guilt of his Practices againſt it, he fled the Kingdom: And having incurred an Attainder, he himſelf has had the Graceleſſneſs to tell the Publick, that he thereby acquired a Right truly to put himſelf avowedly into the Service of the *Pretender*, only for the Purpoſe of undoing his Country. This was his ſecond Enterprize.

The Rebellion that enſued, the ſeveral printed Papers, in the *Pretender*'s Name, tranſmitted from Abroad, the Licentiouſneſs of ſeveral Weekly Journals here under different Titles, (to which *Miſt*'s ſucceeded) that laboured to keep up the ſame Frenzy in the Minds of the People which he had raiſed in the Queen's Time, did not avail.

But whether that bad Succeſs did, in this *Craftſman*'s Opinion, diſſolve the Allegiance he had ſworn to the *Pretender* at his Entrance into his Service; or whether the *Pretender* preſumed to decline gratifying him, by raiſing him to ſome Station, Dignity, or Power, or granting any Thing whatſoever that he (who is the ſole Judge of his own Merits) might claim; he took upon him to exert again his peculiar Right of diſpenſing with all Engagements to any Prince, and in Conſequence, to emancipate himſelf once more, and make himſelf a Citizen of the World at his own abſolute Diſpoſal.

He choſe to return to his native Country: and ſince he found a Way back to it, he has taken care to inform the Publick that he was never unfaithful to the *Pretender*; not had done any Services to King *George* previous to his Return. One of the principal Reaſons for a Parliament's reſuming King *William*'s *Iriſh* Grants, was, that they were exorbitant, and had not been beſtowed for ſufficient Conſiderations. And certainly a Parliament will ever be the Maſters at leaſt of comparing this Gentleman's Conduct, with the Motive upon which they conſented to the Act paſſed in his Favour, notwithſtanding the Pardon under the Great Seal: That Motive is thus expreſſed in the Act itſelf. *Whereas he hath in moſt humble and dutiful Manner made his Submiſſion to your Majeſty, and given your Majeſty the ſtrongeſt Aſſurances of his inviolable Fidelity, and of his Zeal for your Majeſty's Service, and the Support of the preſent happy Eſtabliſhment, which your Majeſty hath been graciouſly pleaſed to accept; may it therefore pleaſe your moſt excellent Majeſty, that it may be enacted, &c.*

SATURDAY, *January* 22.

YESTERDAY Morning a Woman well dreſs'd, dropt down dead of a Fit of an Apoplexy, in *Channel-Row, Weſtminſter*.

Orders will be ſpeedily given for a Reduction of his Majeſty's three Regiments of Foot Guards.

Robbery. Laſt Thurſday Morning *Thomas Mollins*, Eſq; was robbed by three Foot-pads, in the Road between *Kentiſh* Town and *Pancraſs*, who took from him a Gold Watch, a Silver-hilted Sword, two Guineas, and ſome Silver.

Preferment. Yeſterday came on the Choice of the Lectureſhip of *Wakefield*, at *Mercer*'s-*Chapel* in *Cheapſide*, when the Rev. Mr. *Samuel Diſney* had a Majority of 36 Votes.

Shipping. Yeſterday came Advice, that the *Golden Hart*, *Matthew Schneering*, bound from *Hamburgh* to *London*, is loſt on *Holy Land*, an Iſland off of the Mouth of the River *Elbe*; the Goods were all ſaved, but not without Damage.

MONDAY, *January* 24.

Lent-Preachers appointed to preach before his Majeſty for the Year 1732.

Feb.	23,	*Aſh-Wedneſday*, Dean of the Chapel, Lord Biſhop of London.
	25,	*Friday*, Dean of York, Dr. Osbaldeſton.
	27,	*Sunday*, Lord Biſhop of Durham.
March	1,	*Wedneſday*, Mr. Chamberlain.
	3,	*Friday*, Dean of Durham, Dr. Bland.
	5,	*Sunday*, Lord Biſhop of Sarum.
	8,	*Wedneſday*, Dr. Waterland.
	10,	*Friday*, Dean of Exeter, Dr. Gilbert.
	12,	*Sunday*, Lord Biſhop of Chicheſter.
	15,	*Wedneſday*, Dr. Benſon.
	17,	*Friday*, Dean of Litchfield, Dr. Penny.
	19,	*Sunday*, Lord Biſhop of Bangor.
	22,	*Wedneſday*, Mr. Bundy.
	24,	*Friday*, Dean of Peterborough, Dr. Lockyer.
	26,	*Sunday*, Lord Biſhop of Glouceſter.
	29,	*Wedneſday*, Dr. Foulkes.
	31,	*Friday*, Dean of Sarum, Dr. Clarke.
April	2,	*Palm Sunday*, Lord Biſhop of Wincheſter.
	5,	*Wedneſday*, Dr. Terry.
	7,	*Good Friday*, Dean of Weſtminſter, Lord Biſhop of Rocheſter.
	9,	*Eaſter Day*, Lord Almoner, Lord Archbiſhop of York.

GRAFTON.

Lent-Preachers appointed to preach at his Majeſty's Chapel at *Whitehall*, for the Year 1732.

Feb.	23,	*Aſh-Wedneſday*, Dean of Glouceſter, Dr. Newcome.
	25,	*Friday*, Dr. Pearce.
March	1,	*Wedneſday*, Dr. Lovell.
	3,	*Friday*, Dr. Hutton.
	8,	*Wedneſday*, Dr. Day.
	10,	*Friday*, Dr. Thiſtlethwaite.
	15,	*Wedneſday*, Dr. Crow.
	17,	*Friday*, Dr. Hargraves.
	22,	*Wedneſday*, Mr. Bernard.
	24,	*Friday*, Dr. Lewis.
	29,	*Wedneſday*, Dr. Cobden.
	31,	*Friday*, Dr. Littleton.
April	5,	*Wedneſday*, Mr. Lavington.
	7,	*Good Friday*, Dean of Rocheſter, Dr. Herring.

GRAFTON.

Yeſterday the Right Rev. Dr. *Claggett*, Biſhop of St. *David*'s, and the Right Rev. Dr. *Tanner*, Biſhop of St. *Aſaph*'s, were conſecrated by the moſt Reverend the Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, at his Chapel at *Lambeth* Palace.

Robbery. Yesterday one Mr. *Wilson*, a Grasier, in his Return home from the Marshes, in the Isle of *Dogs* to his House near *Limehouse*, was attacked and robbed by two Highwaymen.

Preferments. On Saturday Morning last, Sir *John Williams*, Knt. Alderman of *Cripplegate* Ward, declared the four old Common Council-Men for the Ward of *Cripplegate* Without, duly elected on the Scrutiny: when the Poll stood as follows, *viz.*

For Mr. Deputy *Farrington*	187
Mr. *William Meredith*	175
Mr. *William Cooper*	181
Mr. *John Deeton*	177
Mr. *Thomas Tew*	160

Marriage. On Saturday last his Grace the Duke of *Cleaveland* and *Southampton* was married to the Lady *Harriet Finch*, one of the Daughters of the the late Earl of *Nottingham*, and Sister to the present Earl of *Winchelsea*.

Death. On Saturday died Mr. *Malcolm*, an Ensign in *Kirk*'s Regiment.

TUESDAY, *January* 25.

Mr. *Daniel Allworthy*, a Cornchandler in *Brentford* had left him by a Maiden Lady of that Name, who died last Week, 50,000l.

Yesterday being the first Day of Term Mr. *Franklin*, and several other Printers and Publishers, appeared for the *Craftsman*, *Fogg*'s Journal, *&c.* and were continued on their Recognizances.

Robbery. On Sunday Night Mr. *Thornton* going home to his House in *Wardour-street*, *Soho*, was attack'd by two Street-Robbers, who beat him very barbarously, and robb'd him of his Cane, Hat, and Wig, besides Money and other Things of Value.

Preferments. On Friday last the Hon. *Robert Byng*, Esq; was unanimously elected to serve in Parliament for the Borough of *Plymouth*.——*Woodstock*, *Jan.* 23. Yesterday came on the Election for a Member of Parliament for this Town, in the room of the Marquiss of *Blandford*, deceased; when the Hon. *John Spencer*, Esq; Brother to the Right Hon. the Earl of *Sunderland*, was unanimously elected.

Marriages. On Thursday last Mr. *Desbouverie*, was married to Miss *Lucy Reynolds*, only Daughter of *James Reynolds*, Esq;——On Sunday last Mr. *Vane*, Comptroller of the Stamp-Office, was married to Miss *Knight*, a 8000l. Fortune.

Deaths. Watford, *Jan.* 23. Last Tuesday died here Mr. *Isaac Finch*, aged 104 Years. He has followed the Trade of a Leather-Dresser these 80 Years in this County, and left near 15,000l.——Last Saturday died at *Oxford* Mr. *Benjamin Cooling*, superior Bedell of Divinity in that University.——*Dublin*, *Jan.* 15. Yesterday died *Thomas Meredith*, Esq; Member of Parliament for *Navan*.—*Boston*, *Nov.* 22. Yesterday Morning died Mr. *Jonathan Sewall*, a Merchant in this Town: As likewise Mr. *Alexander Todd*, a Solicitor.

WEDNESDAY, *January* 26.

Yesterday the Right Rev. Dr. *Tanner*, Bishop of St. *Asaph*, and the Right Rev. Dr. *Clagget*, Bishop of St. *David*'s, were introduced into the House of Lords, and took the Oaths and their Seats accordingly.

An Order has passed his Majesty's Board of Works, for the necessary Repairs and beautifying the Royal Palace of *Kensington*, for the Reception of the Royal Family, their Majesties designing to reside there early in the Spring.

On Monday last a Maid-Servant of Capt. *Overhall*, at the Corner of *Fishmonger-Alley*, *Fenchurch-street*, cut her Throat, of which she died.

Yesterday one *Skelton*, hang'd himself in his Wife's Herb Cellar in *Printinghouse-street*, *Black-Fryars*.

Robbery. Yesterday Morning the House of Mr. *Rance*, a Taylor, in *New-street*, *Covent-Garden*, was broke open and robb'd of Goods to a considerable Value.

Preferments. The Rev. Dr. *Capper* is presented by the Lord Chancellor to the Rectory of *Thorp* in the County of *Norfolk*.——*George Purvis*, Esq; is chose a Member of Parliament for *Alborough* in *Suffolk*.——*Philip Lloyd*, Esq; is chosen Member of Parliament for *Christchurch* in *Hants*.——His Majesty has been pleased to appoint Ensign *Scot* to succeed Capt. *Fogg*, deceased, in the Command of a Company in the First Regiment of Foot Guards.

Marriages. On Monday Mr. *Wright*, a Wholesale Druggist in *Lawrence-Lane*, was married to Miss *Hammond*, a Fortune of 6000l.——Yesterday Mr. *Nash*, a Woolen-Draper in St. *Paul*'s *Church-Yard*, was married to the only Daughter of Mr. *Bateman*, who is in Partnership with him, a Fortune of 5000l.——Last Sunday was married the Rev. Mr. *Comare*, M. A. to Mrs. *Henrietta Reneu* of *Putney*, fourth Daughter to the late *Peter Reneu*, Esq;——On Monday last Mr. *Parker*, a noted Vintner, at the *Crosi-Keys* in *Cornhill*, was married to Mrs. *Bilby*.

Deaths. Yesterday died in Childbed, at her House in *Panton-street*, the Lady of *William Maccullister*, Esq;——On Friday last died the Lady of Sir *Samuel Clark*, Knt. at his House in *Mincing-Lane*.——Yesterday Morning died, at his Seat at *Clapham*, *Thomas Mann*, Esq;

THURSDAY, *January* 27.

Yesterday there was an elegant Entertainment at the Archbishop of *Canterbury*'s Palace at *Lambeth*, on Account of its being his Grace's Birth-day, who then enter'd into the 75th Year of his Age.

The same Day there was a Regimental Court Martial held at the Orderly Room at *Whitehall*, when several Soldiers of the first Regiment of Foot Guards were tryed for divers Offences, and several of them order'd to be whipt.

His Majesty has given Orders that the Officers upon Half-pay shall be provided for as Vacancies shall happen from Time to Time in the Army, in Order to reduce the Establishment of Half-pay.

On Saturday last died Mr. *John Cannon*, a Bricklayer in *Gravel-Lane*, *Hounsditch*, of a Wound that he received with a Penknife, from a Person in a Quarrel about a Fortnight since, who is fled from Justice. And on Monday the Coroner's Jury sat on his Body, when his Corpse was opened, and brought in their Verdict *Wilful Murder*.

Robberies, &c. On Tuesday Night last Mr. *Bayley*, a Tanner, as he was going home from *Leadenhall-Market*, was set upon by two Foot-pads by the *Brick Kilns* near *Old Brentford*, who dismounted him, and took from him his Silver, but some Persons coming by in the Interim, they made off.——The same Night Mr. *Underhill*, a Farmer, living at *Endfield*, was attacked near *Ponder's-End* by two Foot-pads, who robbed him of 7l. 3s.——Yesterday a Woman was committed to *Newgate*, charged on Oath of *Thomas Wilson*, with stealing out of his Shop two Gowns, a Petticoat, and other Goods.

Marriage. A few Days since Sir *John Glynne* of *Hawarden* in *Flintshire*, Bart. was married to Miss *Conway*, a very rich Heiress, Daughter and Heir of the late Sir *John Conway*, Bart. a Fortune of 50,000l.

Deaths. Yesterday Morning died the only Daughter of Mr. *Bosworth*, an eminent Tobacconist in *Newgate-street*.——On Sunday last died at the City of *York*, *John Gosling*, Esq;——On Saturday last died the Lady *Meux*, at her House in *Dartmouth-street*.——Last Week died at his Lodgings near *Lancaster-Court* in the *Strand*, Capt. *Stevens*. He has left by his Will 1000l. to a poor Cobler in *Southwark*.

Shipping. The *Kent*, Capt. *Joseph Gale*, bound from *Bourdeaux* to *Whitehaven*, was lost the 31st ult. near *Mizenhead* in *Ireland*, but her Crew was saved.——The *Experiment*, Capt. *Ansell*, was lately lost in her Voyage from *Jamaica* for *Carolina*.

FRIDAY, *January* 28.

On Wednesday Evening her Grace the Dutchess of *Ancaster* was safely delivered of a Daughter, to the great Joy of that noble Family.

Yesterday a Motion was made by his Majesty's Attorney-General in the Court of *King's-Bench*, for fixing a Day for giving Judgment against Mr. *Franklin*; Mr. *Bootle*, Council for the Defendant, signified; that the *Postea* was not regularly enter'd by Reason the *Restringuas* was affix'd thereto; the Court after some short Arguments on both Sides was of Opinion, that the *Postea* was regularly enter'd, and order'd that Notice be given to the Defendant to appear and receive Judgment on Tuesday next, but be at Liberty to move in Arrest of Judgment if he pleased.

The same Day was held a Cabinet-Council at St. *James*'s, when Mr. Baron *Thompson* made the Report of the two Malefactors now lying under Sentence of Death in *Newgate*, viz. *Robert Hallam* for the murder of his Wife, and *Charles Croggs* for the Highway; and they are order'd for Execution on Monday next.

On Wednesday next will be recall'd at the Pay-Office in *Broad-street*, the Short-Allowance Money due in the Year 1731, to his Majesty's Ships the *Princess Amelia*, *Cornwall*, *Canterbury*, *Dreadnought*, *Exeter*, *Edinburgh*, *Grafton*, *Hampton Court*, *Kent*, *Namure*, *York* and *Buckingham*.

Sittings in the Courts of King's-Bench *and* Common-Pleas, *in and after* Hillary-Term, 1732.

In the *King's-Bench*. *Middlesex.*		In the *Common-Pleas*. *Middlesex.*	
Tuesday, February	1	Friday, January	28
Monday,	7	Tuesday, February	1
Thursday,	10	Saturday,	5
After Term.		After Term.	
Monday,	14	Monday,	14
London.		*London.*	
Thursday, January	27	Saturday, January	29
Thursday, February	3	Thursday, February	3
Friday,	11	Tuesday,	8
After Term.		After Term.	
Tuesday,	15	Tuesday,	15

Preferments. Yesterday Dr. *George Newland*, Fellow of *Magdalen College*, *Oxon*, was chosen Professor of Geometry at *Gresham College*, in the room of Mr. *Tomlinson*, deceased.——The same Day the Rev. M. *William Ross*, L. L. B. was presented by the Lord Chancellor to the Rectory of St. *Michael*'s near *Stamford*, in the County and Diocese of *Lincoln*.——*Dublin*, *Jan.* 18. His Grace the Lord Lieutenant has been pleased to appoint *Richard Archer*, Esq; High Sheriff of the County of *Wicklow*; *John Phibbs*, Esq; High Sheriff of the County of *Leitrim*; and *Francis Johnston* of *Magbremenagh*, High Sheriff of the County of *Fermanagh*.

Marriage. On Monday last the Right Hon. the Lord Viscount *Tyrconnel*, Representative in Parliament for the Borough of *Grantham* in *Lincolnshire*, was married to Miss *Carteret*, of the County of *Southampton*.

Deaths. On Wednesday last Serjeant *Raby* was taken ill at the Bar of the *Common-Pleas* with an Apoplectick Fit, and being carried into *Oliver*'s Coffee-house, he was let Blood, but bled very little, and being sent home in a Coach, he had a Fit in the Coach, and when he came to his Chambers, he had another Fit, and expired. It was remarkable, that he had his Senses to the last Minute betwixt the Fits.——The same Evening died, at his House in St. *James's-Park*, his Excellency Count *Bothmar*, who for some Years has resided here, as Prime Minister of State for the Affairs of the Electorate of *Hanover*.——Last Sunday died Mr. *Hughs*, Deputy Treasurer of his Majesty's Stamp Duties.——On Wednesday Morning last died Mrs. *Bolton* of *Enfield*, a Widow Gentlewoman, and Sister to the Hon. Sir *Charles Wager*.

FOREIGN NEWS.

MOSCOW, *Jan.* 7. The Princess of *Mecklenburg* is set out for *Petersburg*, whither the *Czarina* designs to begin to-morrow. Her *Czarina* Majesty has published a Declaration, setting forth, That the Knees *Wasiley Dolgorouki*, formerly Field-Marshal, having not only censured the Imperial Ordinances issued for the Good of the Empire, but also passed some injurious Reflections upon the Person of the Empress herself; and the Knees *Jurja Dolgorouki*, the Knees *Alexis Bratinskoi*, and *Jegor Soletow*, having likewise insulted her Imperial Majesty's Person, and committed Misdemeanours tending to disturb the publick Tranquillity of the Empire; the Ministers and Generals assembled did condemn them to die, according to the Constitutions of the Empire; but that her Imperial Majesty, in her great Clemency, had commuted the Punishment of Death into perpetual Imprisonment at *Schlusselburg* for the Knees *Wasiley Dolgorouki*, and into an Exile for the three others; depriving them, at the same Time, of all their Offices and Honours, and confiscating their Estates, *&c.*

Leghorn, *Jan.* 17. On the 14th Inst. died here Mr. *Daniel Gould*, a *British* Merchant, whose Loss is lamented by all who knew him. *Don Carlos* was taken ill some Days past, which now proves to be the Small Pox, but of a very favourable Sort. Expresses are sent to *Madrid* and *Florence* to inform the Courts how they come forward, and 'tis believed he will do very well. The Marquiss *Montelton* has settled with the Court of *Florence* the Ceremonial for his Reception there, but 'tis thought his Illness will confine him here a Month.

Hague, *Jan.* 29. On Friday last the States of the Province of *Holland* came to a Resolution to accede to the Treaty of *Vienna*; which Resolution was the next Day reported to the States-General, when the Deputies of *Utrecht*, *Overyssel*, *Friesland* and *Gelderland*, declared themselves ready to concur in it. Those of *Zealand* and *Groningen* desired Time to consult their respective Provinces, who are to assemble on Monday next.

Santa Cruz, *Jan.* 1. The Differences between the Mountainers increase daily to that Height, that they give no Quarter to each other when they meet, which has considerably diminish'd their Number. We have Advices, that a Day's Journey from *Morocco*, two sharp Rencounters happen'd between the Camp of King *Muley Abdallah*, and the *Arabs*, and that on both Sides a great Number of them had been kill'd on the Spot; but that the Camp of the *Blacks* remained still in their former Situation.

Petersburg, *Jan.* 8. The Members of the respective Colleges of this City, with the Generals, Admirals, *&c.* being met, on Saturday last, in the Great Church here, the General Count *Munich*, by her *Czarina* Majesty's Order, laid before them her last Manifesto, with the Form of the Oath annexed, which they all took, and was as follows:

Though I have already taken the Oath of Fidelity and Submission to the most Illustrious and most Potent Lady *Anne Joannowna*, Empress and Sovereign of all *Russia*, my lawful Sovereign Empress and Lady; I, whose Name is hereunto subscribed, do nevertheless promise again, by these Presents, for the better Confirmation of my most humble Fidelity, and do swear by the Almighty God, and before his Holy Gospel, as well for myself, as for my Heirs present and to come, that I design, and will be, as in Duty bound, faithful, obedient and submissive, not only to her Majesty my lawful Lady and Empress *Anne Joannowna*, but also after her, to her Majesty's Successors, whom, by Virtue of the Sovereign and Imperial Power she received from God, she hath appointed, or shall appoint, and shall think worthy of the Sovereign Throne of *Russia*, which I will defend to the utmost of my Power and Ability, and upon my Conscience all the Rights and Prerogatives of the Authority and Power of her Imperial Majesty, and the Successors she shall nominate, in the same Manner as those Rights and Prerogatives are now, or may hereafter be established; and that for this End, should there be any Ne-

ceſſity for it, I will not ſpare even my Life, but will make my utmoſt Efforts to promote conſtantly and with Zeal every Thing that tends to advance her Imperial Majeſty's Service, and that of the Succeſſors ſhe ſhall name, and the Good of the Empire, in ſuch Manner as I can anſwer before God and his Tribunal. *So help me Almighty God.* In Confirmation of my preſent Oath, I kiſs the Holy Goſpel, and my Saviour's Croſs. *Amen.*

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When arriv'd at LYNN. *from*

Ships Names	*Maſters Names*	from *Whence*
19 Jan. Joſiah	Burley	London
Samuel	Farrow	Rotterd.
LIVERPOOL.		*from*
24 Jan. Speedwel	Hutton	Virginia
Johnſon	Cowley	ditto
Richard		Malaga
BRISTOL.		*from*
24 Jan. Shepheid	Ford	Jamaica
Sarah	Jackſon	ditto
Cato		ditto
FALMOUTH.		*from*
27 Jan. Proipeck	Bowers	London
Three Brothers		ditto
James & Pearl	Delander	Alicant
Mary	Thornton	London
Wigmore	Banks	ditto
Jamaica Frigate	Smith	ditto
Barbad. Factor	Fell	ditto
Ruſſel	Baſle	ditto
Hickman	De Cateret	ditto
Loyal Peggy	Richardſon	ditto
Minerva	Carter	ditto
PLYMOUTH		*from*
18 Jan. Arabella	Pike	Maryland
Ann & Sarah	Godferry	London
Rachael	Colehatch	ditto
Lane	Standley	ditto
21 Goodwil	Tibb	Morlaix
DARTMOUTH		*from*
23 Jan. Sarah	Woolhead	Portugal
COWES.		*from*
18 Jan. 2 Siſters	Vernain	Dieppe
Catherine	Wynn	Chatham
SOUTHAMPTON		*from*
24 Johanna	Aiwel	S. Vallery
DEAL.		*from*
23 Jan. Banſtead	Showers	Jamaica

GRAVESEND			*from*
23 Jan. Annd		Speed	Cadiz
Anna Maria		Kemp	ditto
Dove		Vittery	Malaga
24 Wm & Mary		Gray	Maryland
Retrive		Gardner	Carolina
Pearl		Diamond	Seville
Thomaſin		Page	Lisbon
Dolly		Teague	Alicant
Cambridge		Crocker	N. England
25 Delaware		Elliot	Jamaica
Providence		Hammond	Dunkir.
D. of Charos		Pepper	ditto
Lively		Eyres	Lisbon
Benjamin		Cockfield	Oporto
Antelope		Grover	Malaga
Union		Dunſcomb	Maryland
Pearl		Robinſon	Oporto
26 Diligence		Boucher	Guinea
Loyalty		Wallis	Barcelona
Catherine		Clarebut	Calais
28 Kirwan		Main	S. Kitts

FOREIGN PORTS.

NEW-ENGLAND.			*from*
6 Dec. Elis	Millic.	Cole	Lisbon
Providence		Shuttleworth	Mad.
		Freebody	Dover
		Crowſhield	Bilboa
		Quirk	Briſtol
		Trewin	ditto
		Eagleſtone	ditto
PHILADELPHIA			*from*
18 Nov. Alex.	Ant.	Clymer	Lisbon
		Woodland	Lond.
CAROLINA.			*from*
Truelove		Brasbam	London
JAMAICA.			*from*
3 Nov. Sarah		Wilſon forcedback	
Mary		Pointer	London
NAPLES.			*from*
6 Jan. Pretty	Pache	Coe	Yarmouth
TARANTO			*from*
1 Jan. Ann		Simpſon	Streights

LEGHORN			*from*
12 Jan. Crown		Wherry	Yarmouth
Grizel		Rolland	Lisbon
Sancy		Fitzpatrick	Dublin
Creigleſtone		Hodgſon	Liverp.
Alicant		Elliot	Nt.land
GENOA.			*from*
9 Jan. Nancy		Odrington	Lisbon
Mary		Parkins	Oporto
10 Mary		Brown	Lisbon
Penelope		Gardine	ditto
FIGURA.			*from*
Woodbridge		Baſh	London
Mary		Beilby	ditto
LISBON.			*from*
Braganza		Lyon	London
OPORTO.			*from*
12 Jan. Cha. Betty		Humphrys	Lond.
Elizabeth		Waters	ditto
		Janverin	Southton

SAILED

When Sailed	*for* LONDON	*from*
Ships Names	*Maſters Names*	from *Whence*
6 Jan. H. Jennet	Green	Leghorn
For BRISTOL CHANNEL		*from*
20 Jan. Mary	Harriſon	Downs
Induſtry	Hews	ditto
For IRELAND.		*From*
20 Jan. Nathaniel	Plucknet	Dowlin
Catherine	Rice	ditto
7 William	Uxbridge	Leghorn

FOREIGN PORTS.

For ISLE of MAY.			*from*
20 Jan. Eliz. Mary		Rowel	Downs
For MARYLAND & VIRGINIA			*from*
17 Jan. 2 Brothers		Ray	Gravesend
20 Amity		Sherbrook	ditto
Vine		Read	ditto
Phenix		Lux	ditto
Baltimore		Hooton	Downs
James & Mary		Hodgſon	ditto
Mayflower		Moran	ditto
Kent		Barron	ditto
Proſperous Ann		Finch	ditto
24 Bened. Leonar.		James	ditto
Vine		Read	ditto
Trial		Shuttleworth	ditto
For CAROLINA.			*from*
20 Jan. Nelly		Grove	Gravef.
24 Ann		Gare	Downs
For JAMAICA			*from*
20 Jan. Neptune		Winter	Downs
24 John & Judith		Rogers	ditto
For BARBADOES AND LEEWARD Iſlands			*from*
20 Jan. London		Mills	Downs
Hill		Enderope	
Joſiah		Lawrence	ditto
24 Dixon's Bay		Coulter	ditto
Hothersſhalt		Hutchinſon	ditto
Heſter		Bloſs	ditto
For the STREIGHTS			*from*
17 Jan. Mary		Saunders	Gravef.
20 Pearl		Newland	Downs
11 H. Return		Matthewſon	Leghorn
Mermaid		Trounce	ditto
Levant		Williſone	ditto
9 S. Legar		Bray	Genoa
Lady Suſanna		Martin	ditto
12 Griffin		Nichols	ditto
25 Tho. Rebecca		Bowles	Portſmou
For CADIZ			*from*
20 Jan. Cha. Mol		Clarole	Downs
4 Joſeph		Evans	Genoa
For SEVILLE			*from*
20 Jan. Paulet		Taylor	Downs
For PORTUGAL			*from*
17 Jan. Swan		Dennet	Gravef.
20 Martha		Story	Downs
Charm Philly		Lemon	Gravef.
23 Betty		Blake	ditto
6 Victory		Foſter	Leghorn
9 Gutzacy Lilly		Cary	Genoa
BILBOA.			*from*
24 Jan. S. Ago		Conſeno	Downs
For FRANCE.			*from*
20 Jan. Charlotte		Simons	Downs
Alien		Baker	ditto
Hen. & Mary		Southern	ditto
For HOLLAND			*from*
20 Jan. Chandois		Jeners	Gravef.
For OSTEND.			*from*
17 Jan. Oſt. Pack.		Warſhal	Gravef.

Winds at *Deal*, Jan. 21.
N. W. 22. S. W. 23. W.
N. W. 24. E. S. E. 25.
South. 26. S. W. by S. 27.
S. S. W.

Remain in the DOWNS *for*

27 Jan. W. Ind. M.		Dennie	Jamaica
Stamboln		Horſnel	Smirna
Elizabeth		Bruce	Virginia
		Sandwel	Middleb.

Chriſtned.

M. 167 } 342
F. 175 }

Died.

Under 2		224
From 2 to 5	Years Old	22
5 10		28
10 20		16
20 30		32
30 40		45
40 50		49
50 60		53
60 70		52
70 80		27
80 90		19
upwds of 90		4

Buried.

M 278 } 571
F 293 }

Increaſed. 15

LONDON, Tueſday *Jan.* 28, 1731. Exchanges on	
Amſt.	35
Sight	34 11
Paris	31
Rouan	31
Bourd.	31
Venice	48
Leghorn	50
Genoa	53
Madrid	42
Cadiz	42
Bilboa	41
Lisbon	0 5 5
Oporto	0 5 5
Hamb.	34
Dublin	11

BALANCES in *Grots* and *Stivers*	
55	P.
84	
88	
93	P.
81	P.
101	P.
46	P.
46	P.
32	P.

C. Snell.

Amſterdam *Jan.* 21. Exchanges on	
Lond.	34 8
Sight	34 10
G. C. 55	
G. C. 55	
G. C. 54	
G. D. 85	
G. 88	
G. 93	
G. D. 81	
G. D. 100	
G. D. 81	
G. C. 45	
G. C. 45	
S. D. 32	

N. B. Plus, read a ſmall Matter more, Minus, a ſmall Matter leſs than $\frac{1}{8}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$.

Paris, *Rouan* and *Bourdeaux*, in the laſt Colum but one, read G. C. *Grots per Crown*; G. D. *Grots per Ducket*; G. *Grots per Dollar*; G. C. *Grots per Cruſade*; and S. D. *Stivers per Dollar.*

Standard Gold brought into Fine Gold, ſold in *Amſterdam*, Jan. 21. N. S. at 355 *Guilders* Banco *per* Marke Weight advance, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ *per Cent.* and the Produce remitted to *London* by Bills of *Exchange*, at 34 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Banco, as at the Head of the laſt Column above, come out Standard *L* 4 : 2 : 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ *per* Ounce.

Standard Silver brought into Fine Silver, ſold in *Amſterdam* at 25 *Gilders* 8 *Stivers* Banco, and the Produce remitted as above, comes out at *L*. 0 : 5 : 8$\frac{1}{4}$ m. *per* Ounce Standard.

London, Jan. 28, 1731.

Gold in ——	Coin	*L.* 3 : 18 : 1	} *per* Ounce
Ditto ——	Barrs	3 : 18 : 0	
Pieces of Eight	Pillars	0 : 5 : 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Ditto ——	Mexico	0 : 5 : 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Standard Silver	Barrs	0 : 5 : 3 $\frac{3}{4}$	

Colcheſter Bays, 6 Seals Red-Liſt 8 *per* Peice.

14 *per Cent.* Annuity		24 $\frac{1}{2}$	} Years Purchaſe.
From 1724 to 1728		25 $\frac{1}{2}$	
9 *per Cent.* Anno 1710		8 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	
For { 11 Years to come	Prices	8	
{ from *Michal.* 1731	Blanks	*L.* 5 5 0 *per* Sett.	
3 $\frac{1}{2}$ *per* Cent. Annuities 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 3 *per* Cent. Premium.			

In the Exchq.	Aids	Given for	Pd off	N°
	11th 2 Shill. 1730	1000000	865000	73
	Malt 1730	750000	613950	
	12th 2 Shill. 1731	1000000	283600	

Hops	*Stocks*	*Saturday*	*Monday*	*Tueſday*	*Wedneſday.*	*Thurſday*	*Friday.*
1728 *l.* 6 *s.*	*S. Sea*	103 $\frac{3}{4}$ a $\frac{7}{8}$	103 $\frac{7}{8}$ 4, a $\frac{1}{2}$	104 $\frac{1}{2}$,	104 $\frac{1}{2}$	102 $\frac{1}{2}$ 102	102 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
1729 *l.* 2	*Annu.*	110 $\frac{1}{2}$	110 $\frac{1}{2}$ a $\frac{1}{4}$	110 $\frac{1}{2}$ a $\frac{3}{4}$	110 $\frac{1}{2}$	110 $\frac{1}{2}$	110 $\frac{1}{4}$ a $\frac{1}{2}$
1730 5 *l.* 10 *s.*	*Bank*	149 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{3}{4}$	149 $\frac{3}{4}$	149 $\frac{1}{2}$	149 $\frac{1}{2}$	149 $\frac{1}{2}$ a $\frac{3}{4}$	149 $\frac{3}{4}$
1731 7 *l.* 5 *s.*	*India*	179 $\frac{1}{4}$ 80	180 $\frac{1}{4}$	180 $\frac{1}{4}$ 79 $\frac{1}{4}$ 80	180 $\frac{1}{4}$ 79 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	179 $\frac{1}{2}$ 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ 8 $\frac{1}{4}$	178 $\frac{1}{4}$ a $\frac{1}{4}$
Coals 25 26	3*p. C.*	96 $\frac{1}{4}$	96 $\frac{1}{4}$	96 $\frac{1}{2}$	96 $\frac{1}{2}$	96 $\frac{1}{2}$ a $\frac{1}{4}$	97
Grain *p.* Quart.	*MBan*	110	110	110	110	110	110
Wheat 19 25	*Afric.*	46	46	46	46	46	46
Rye 11 16	*Y. Bu.*	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	13 $\frac{1}{4}$	13 $\frac{1}{2}$ a $\frac{5}{8}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ a $\frac{5}{8}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$
Barley 13 17	*R Aſſ.*	97 $\frac{1}{8}$	97 $\frac{1}{4}$ a 8	98 $\frac{1}{2}$	98 $\frac{1}{2}$	98 $\frac{1}{2}$	98 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oates 10 16	*L. ditt*	13 $\frac{1}{4}$ a $\frac{3}{8}$	13 $\frac{3}{8}$	13 $\frac{3}{4}$	13 $\frac{3}{4}$	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	13 $\frac{1}{2}$
Tares 20 22	*ECop.*	2 *l.* 10 *s.*	2 *l.* 10	2 *l.* 10	2 *l.* 10	2 *l.* 10 *s.*	2 *l.* 10
H. Beans 20 23	*Wditt*	1 *l.* 15 *s.*	1 *l.* 15 *s.*	1 *l.* 16 *s.*	1 *l.* 16 *s.*	1 *l.* 16 *s.*	1 *l.* 15
H. Peaſe 18 24	*N. B. Cir*	6 *l.* 5	6 *l.* 5 *s. d*	6 *l.* 5 *s.*	6 *l.* 5 *s. d*	6 *l.* 7 *s.* 6 *d*	6 *l.* 7 6*d*
Boil. dit. 28 30	*IBon.*	6 *l.* 17 *s.*	7 *l.* *s.*	7 *l.* *s*	7 *l.* *s.*	7 *l.* 1 *s.*	7 *l.* 1
P. Malt 22 24	*SSdit*	6 *l.* 10 *s.*	6 *l.* 9 *s.*	6 *l.* 10 *s.*	6 *l.* 11 *s.*	6 *l.* 13 *s.*	6 *l.* 14 *s.*
dit. Br. 19 21	Blanks	7 *l.* 5 *s.*	7 *l.* 5 *s.* 3	7 *l.* 5 *s*	7 *l.* 4 *s.* 3 *d*	7 *l.* 5 *s.* 6	7 *l.* 5 *s.* 6

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